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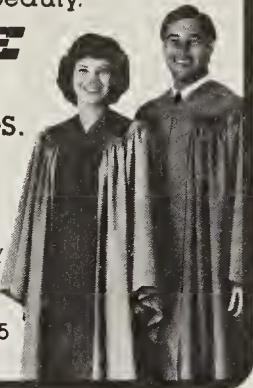
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Non-voting Voters: "Sunshine Patriots"

Come Nov. 8, I hope you won't be a modern-day "sunshine patriot" who'll find time to vote in the general election only if it fits easily into that day's busy schedule.

The label is from Thomas Paine's 1776 pamphlet, *Common Sense*, which called for the colonies to seek their independence from England. It began, "These are the times that try men's souls. The summer soldier and the sunshine patriot will in this crisis shrink from the service of their country...."

Paine was writing about colonial citizens who resisted taking up arms except when they had no crops to tend or other pressing duties at home. Yet the term seems appropriate today to describe the millions of Americans who'll find themselves "too busy" to vote in this important election.

Only 68.5 percent of North Carolina's registered voters cast ballots in the last presidential election. In 1980, the figure was even lower—66.9 percent.

In other words, more than 31 percent of the state's voters sat out those two elections for one reason or another.

Other states can cite sadly similar statistics—numbers that don't even include those Americans who are not registered to vote.

Many of these non-voting "voters" have no valid excuse for failing to visit the polls. They simply let the opportunity pass—an opportunity that is never offered to the citizens of many nations.

This is disturbing because these citizens have taken themselves completely out of the democratic process. They're freely choosing to have no voice in how they and their fellow citizens are to be governed

After all, the shape of that governance will be molded by the men and women who're elected to public office, from the White House to the courthouse. The impact of their decisions will be felt in homes and businesses throughout the land.

That's especially true of the decisions that will affect the cost and reliability of service provided by the nation's electric utilities. All segments of the industry—cooperatives, investor-owned companies and municipal systems—benefit from government actions and policies that help to hold down the cost of this vital service for the American consumer.

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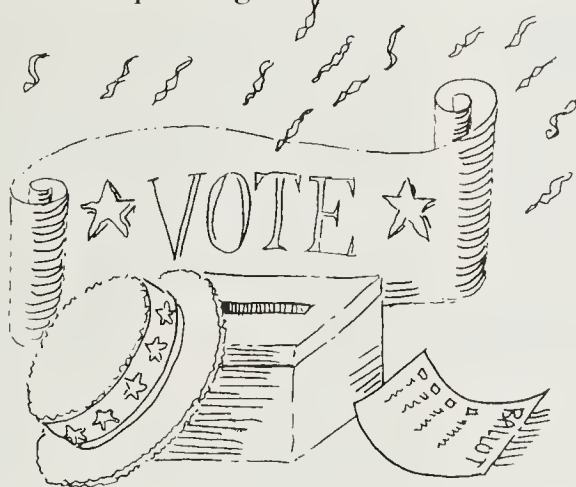
In view of all this, I want to encourage you to make an effort to

vote Nov. 8. Before you do, take a few minutes to read the special election coverage inside this magazine (pages 14-19 and pages 32-39). This material will give you details about the backgrounds of various candidates for key elective posts in North Carolina and their positions regarding rural issues.

If you're still tempted to play "sunshine patriot" on election day, don't assume that you can escape the responsibility of citizenship by simply not voting. You'll have to face the consequences of the election along with those who do cast ballots.

"Bad politicians," said former Treasury Secretary William E. Simon, "are sent to Washington by good people who don't vote."

—James M. Hubbard
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Dear Readers,

Carolina Country and several other rural electric publications around the country have been firmly taken to task by a major publishing firm for using Robert Fulghum's essay, "All I Really Needed To Know I Learned In Kindergarten."

All of the publications published the piece after it appeared in a newsletter from the South Dakota Rural Electric Association and was reprinted in a national co-op newsletter. It ran in our "Grits" column in September of last year. Meanwhile, it showed up in *Reader's Digest* and was featured in a Dear Abby column and on a Paul Harvey broadcast.

In each case, the copyright on the piece was violated, according to officials at Random House. They said the author had copyrighted it and later sold the copyright to the publisher.

If you've been saving the essay to use in a newsletter or other publication, you might want to think twice about that. Random House could insist on payment for your use of the item.

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The story in our August issue about the dangers of lead in drinking water prompted a Monroe reader to write, asking if this problem might have contributed to a miscarriage she had earlier this year.

We called the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) safe drinking water hotline and posed the question to an EPA specialist. She said lead in drinking water could cause complications with a pregnancy if the woman's blood had absorbed enough of the metal. A special blood test under a doctor's supervision could determine that.

The specialist also pointed out that our reader could have her home's water tested for lead content by sending samples to a laboratory that's been authorized to handle such tests. Labs of this sort are certified to do this by the State Division of Health Services' Public Health Laboratory.

If you're like the Monroe reader and have concerns about your water, you might want to obtain a list of the certified testing labs from the state agency. Write or call Mamie Harris, State Public Health Laboratory, P.O. Box 28047, Raleigh, NC 27611. Phone: (919) 733-7308.

Best regards,

Owen Bishop

Cover: A Detail From "Sprintsails Off Shackleford"

Our cover this month is a detail from a painting titled, "Sprintsails Off Shackleford," by Robert B. Dance of Winston-Salem.

Signed-and-numbered limited edition prints of the painting are being sold as a fund-raising project by the Friends of the North Carolina Maritime Museum, Inc., in Beaufort. A reproduction of the print's complete image appears on page 7, along with details about the print.

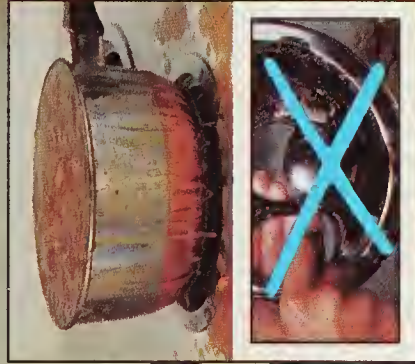
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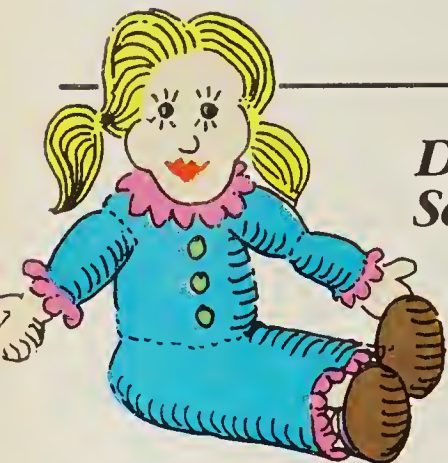
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Nov. 5-6, at the Wayne Center in Goldsboro.

In addition to the show and competition, sales booths will be operated with handmade and antique dolls and doll furniture for sale.

The show will run from 1 to 5 p.m. each day with admission being \$1.50.

For more information on the show, write the Showcase of Dolls, P.O. Box 68, Goldsboro, NC 27533. Phone: (919) 731-1525.

Pee Dee EMC Gets Financing For Expansion

Pee Dee Electric Membership Corporation, Wadesboro, has received a \$2.1 million loan from the Rural Electrification Administration to help expand and upgrade its system.

The loan will be used to build about 73 miles of distribution lines and make other improvements. The project will enable the EMC to add about 1,300 new consumer-members within its service area.

The co-op has also obtained a \$928,000 loan from the National Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation to help finance

the improvements.

The EMC currently serves about 15,000 consumer-members in Anson, Richmond, Montgomery, Scotland, Moore, Stanly and Union Counties.

Quilting Workshop Set In Hiddenite

The Brushy Mountain Quilters Center and the Hiddenite Center will sponsor a one-day quilting workshop Nov. 12 at the Hiddenite Center.

The registration fee is \$50.

For more information, write or call the Hiddenite Center, P.O. Box 311, Hiddenite, NC 28636. Phone: (704) 632-6966.

Onslow Museum Slates Festival

The Onslow County Museum's annual Arts and Crafts Festival has been scheduled for Nov. 6.

For more information, write or call the museum, P.O. Box 384, Richlands, NC. Phone: (919) 324-5008.

Holden Beach Sets Festival

An array of activities will highlight the Festival-by-the-Sea, Oct. 28-30, at Holden Beach.



A Halloween carnival will be featured on the first night of the festival. The second day will be highlighted with numerous activities including: arts and crafts, entertainment, street dancing, surfing contest and a sand castle building competition. A gospel sing is scheduled for the final day.

For more information, call Sylvia Ludlum at (919)

842-6253 or Delorise Robinson at (919) 842-6276.

Acquaculture Experts Will Address Meet

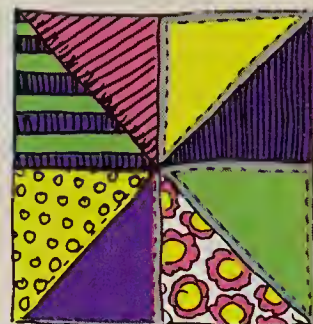
Three nationally-recognized experts in aquaculture will be among the featured speakers at the first North Carolina Aquaculture Development Conference, Nov. 1-2, in Greenville.

The speakers include Richard Lord of New York's Fulton Fish Market, the nation's largest wholesale seafood market; Larry Delabretonne, a Louisiana State University specialist on crawfish production and Peter Redmayne, editor of *Seafood Leader* magazine.

Concurrent sessions focusing on production techniques and a tour of aquaculture facilities are scheduled for the second day.

The meeting is scheduled for the Greenville Sheraton, which is expected to be converted to a Ramada Inn prior to the meeting.

For more information, write or call Rodney Johnson at 412 W. Queen St., Edenton, NC 27932. Phone: (919) 482-7437.



Hickory Exhibition Includes 52 Quilts

Prize-winning quilts from across the nation will be on display in "Expressions of Liberty Great American Quilt Exhibition" opening Oct. 25 at the Hickory Museum of Art.

The exhibition will run until Dec. 18 with 52 quilts on display. The 6-foot square quilts were chosen as statewide winners in a patriotic quilting contest commemorating the Centennial of the Statue of Liberty.

Admission to the museum is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students and senior citizens.

For more information on the exhibit, write the museum at P.O. Box 2572, Hickory, NC 28603. Phone: (704) 327-8576.

4 EMCs Elect 15 Directors

Four newcomers and 11 incumbents have been elected to the Boards of Directors of four North Carolina Electric



HERE, THERE & EVERYWHERE

Membership Corporations at recent co-op annual meetings:

- **Pee Dee EMC**, Wadesboro—Re-elected were J. C. Thompson of Rt. 3, Mt. Gilead and Cecil McCall of Rt. 1, Ellerbe. Elected for the first time was Harold Moore of Rt. 3, Wadesboro. Moore was elected to the seat previously held by Marion P. Ratliff of Rt. 3, Wadesboro, who chose not to seek re-election after serving on the board for the past 23 years.

- **Haywood EMC**, Waynesville—Since a quorum of members was not present at the 1987 annual meeting, six incumbents were re-elected, three for two-year terms and three for three-year terms. Two-year terms: Barbara Cogburn of Clyde, Lawrence H. Henson of Candler, and Charles R. Petit of Rosman. Three-year terms: Carl E. Bryson of Rt. 63, Cashiers; Joe Davis of Waynesville and Roy Stamey of Canton.

- **Roanoke EMC**, Rich Square—Re-elected were George W. Drake of Rt. 3, Windsor and J. Lewis Storey. Elected for the first time was Raymond Harrell of Rt. 1, Jackson, who had

been appointed to the board to fill the unexpired term of the late Harbie C. Martin of Rt. 1, Jackson. Martin died last November.

- **Albemarle EMC**, Hertford—Re-elected was Walter R. Lowry Jr. of Rt. 4, Elizabeth City. Elected for the first time were Glenn Carey of Rt. 1, South Mills and Virgie P. Whitehurst of Rt. 1, Belvidere. Carey succeeds Willis J. Ferebee of Rt. 1, South Mills, who chose not to seek re-election after three years on the board.

Whitehurst was elected to the seat previously held by Ernest McCoy of Star Route, South Mills.

Meanwhile, Crescent EMC, Statesville, has named C. Edgar Cartner of Rt. 1, Harmony, to its Board of Directors. Cartner had been appointed to fill the unexpired term of the late Paul Stroud of Rt. 1, Mocksville. Stroud died last March.



Extension Agents Honor Engineer

The North Carolina Association of County Agricultural Agents

has presented its annual Service to Agriculture Award to E. J. (Jim) Tyson of Charlotte, the agricultural engineering director for Duke Power Company's North Carolina service area.

"Jim's professional goal has been to help make agriculture more profitable and rural life more enjoyable," the citation to him read.

A native of Union County, Tyson has a B.S. degree in agricultural engineering from North Carolina State University.

Museum Offering R. B. Dance Print



"Sprintsails Off Shackleford," a portion of which appears on this month's cover, is by Robert B. Dance of Winston-Salem.

Signed-and-numbered limited edition prints of the image are available from the N. C. Maritime Museum. The print, measuring 12 5/8" x 27 3/4", is priced at \$85, including postage and handling.

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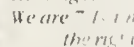
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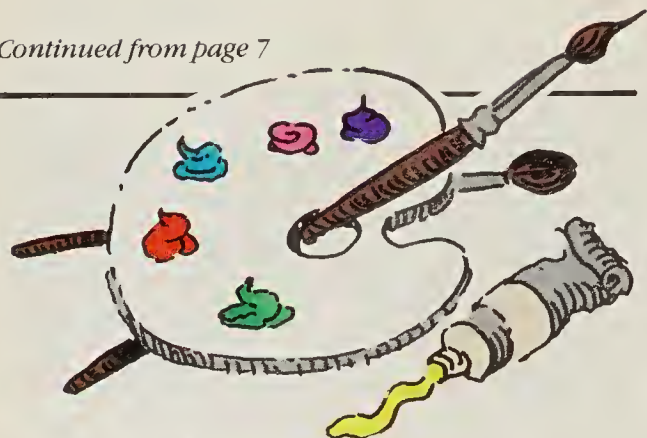
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20 Tar Heel Artists Get Fellowships

The North Carolina Arts Council of the N.C. Department of Cultural Resources has recognized the efforts of 20 folk, visual and literary artists across the state through its fellowship awards programs.

Eight folk artists have each received a cash grant of \$2,000 as winners of the Folk Heritage Award, which was presented to state folk artists who have made significant contributions to their artistic field over the years.

The first recipients were: Doug Wallin of Madison County, a singer; Etta Baker of Burke County, a blues guitarist; Tommy Hunter of Mars Hill, a fiddler; Dorothy and Walter Auman of Seagrove, potters; Eva Wolfe of Cherokee, a basket maker; Emma Taylor of Cherokee, a basket maker and Thomas Burt of Granville County, a blues guitarist and singer.

Meanwhile, another program recognized six visual artists, who each received a \$5,000 fellowship.

Receiving the awards were: Marvin A. Cutler of Raleigh, a sculptor; Cary Esser of Chapel Hill, a ceramicist; Alex Harris of Durham, a photographer; Kevin T. Hogan of Asheville, a graphics artist; Charles Kessler of Greenville, a media artist and J. Paul Sires of Charlotte, a sculptor.

A third program cited six poets and fiction writers, who each received a \$5,000 fellowship.

Receiving the awards were: Robin Hemly of Charlotte, a fiction writer; Suzanne Newton of Raleigh, a fiction writer; J. W. Rivers of Winston-Salem, a poet; Mary Ann Rood of Apex, a novelist; Lawrence Rudner of Raleigh, a novelist and Robert Satterwhite of Asheville, a novelist.

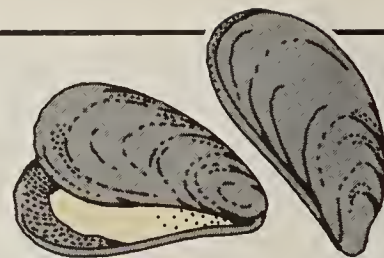
New Bern Hosts "Mum" Festival

Hot air balloons, entertainment and an antique car show will be a few of the highlights at the 1988 Chrysanthemum Festival to be held Oct. 14-16, in New Bern.

The Tryon Palace Gardens will also be open to the public during the festival.

There will be no admission charge for the event.

For more information, write to P.O. Box 597, New Bern, NC 28560. Phone: (919) 638-5781.



Oyster Festival Slated For Oct. 22-23

Oysters and seafood in all varieties will be on hand at the Eighth Annual North Carolina Oyster Festival, Oct. 22-23, at the South Brunswick Islands.

In addition to food, the festival will also offer crafts and plenty of music—from beach to country.

The festival will also feature the North Carolina Oyster Shucking Contest.

For more information, write or call the South Brunswick Islands Chamber of Commerce at P.O. Box 1380, Shallotte, NC 28459. Phone: (919) 754-6644.

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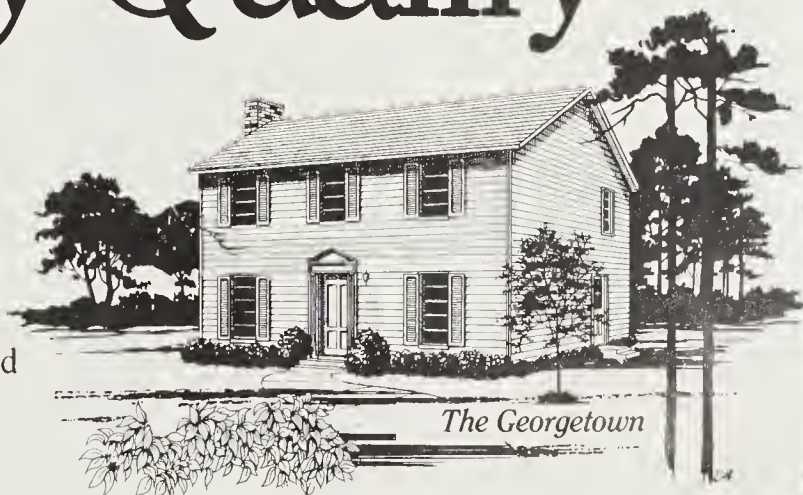
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Date	Electric Membership Corporation	Time	Location
October			
22	Davidson, Lexington	Registration: 9:00 a.m. Business Meeting: 9:30 a.m.	Davidson County Fair Grounds, Lexington
28	Brunswick, Shallotte	Registration: 8:00 a.m. Business Meeting: 11:00 a.m.	West Brunswick High School, Shallotte
29	Rutherford, Forest City	Registration: 10:00 a.m. Business Meeting: 11:00 a.m.	West Lincoln Senior High School, Lincolnton
November			
5	Tri-County, Dudley	Registration: 12:00 Noon Business Meeting: 1:30 p.m.	Spring Creek Elementary School, Seven Springs
10	Pitt & Greene, Farmville	Registration: 6:45 p.m. Business Meeting: 7:30 p.m.	Farmville Central High School, Farmville

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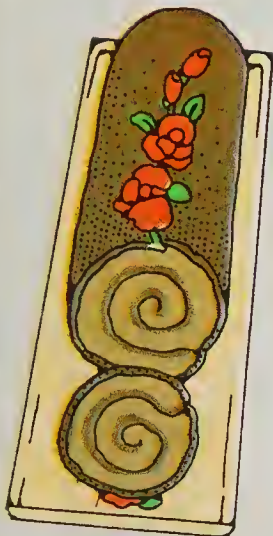
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Submitted by Mrs. Bill Bell, McGrady

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1 C sugar
1 tsp. lemon juice

3/4 C flour
1 tsp. baking powder
2 tsp. cinnamon
1 tsp. ginger

1/2 tsp. nutmeg
1/2 tsp. salt
1 C nuts
(finely chopped)

Filling: 1 C powdered sugar
2 pkg. (3 oz.) cream cheese
4 Tbsp. butter

1/2 tsp. vanilla flavoring
1/2 tsp. butternut
flavoring

Beat eggs on high 5 minutes. Gradually beat in sugar. Stir in pumpkin and lemon juice. Stir together dry ingredients and fold into pumpkin mixture. Spread into greased and floured pan 15"x10"x1". Top with nuts. Bake at 375 degrees for 10 minutes. Turn out on towel sprinkled with powdered sugar. Starting with narrow end, roll towel and cake together and cool completely. Prepare filling by beating all ingredients together until smooth. Roll out cake and spread with filling, then re-roll.

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Students: "Part of Something Special"

"You're A Part of Something Special—Cooperatives."

That slogan became the theme for the first statewide Youth Energy Retreat, Aug. 5-7, sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Electric Cooperatives (NCAEC).

A total of 20 high school students from throughout the state participated in the week-end event at Penn 4-H Camp near Reidsville. The participants represented various North Carolina Electric Membership Corporations (EMCs).

"The students were given some intensive training on how the EMCs operate and on some of the basics of using electricity safely," said Dan Cook, senior information specialist with the NCAEC.

Cook said the NCAEC inaugurated the Energy Retreat and a Youth Ambassadors program (*see box below*) this year in an effort to broaden the statewide EMC organization's efforts to communicate



Melissa Ann (Missy) Worrell of Rt. 2, Sparta, models the latest pole-climbing fashions for co-op linemen during a session of the Youth Energy Retreat at Penn 4-H Center. Her fashion coordinator is Richard Petty, a job training and safety specialist with the statewide organization of Electric Membership Corporations.

with young people about rural electrification.

"Most high school students have little opportunity to learn about the co-ops and how they operate. Even if their families are served by an EMC, they may know little about it except that it provides basic electric service. That's why we felt there was a need for this youth program."

The retreat featured workshops and hands-on exercises designed to broaden the students' understanding of electricity and the co-op philosophy that guides EMC operations. In addition, NCAEC job training and safety specialists coordinated sessions on electric safety and demonstrated equipment routinely used by co-op linemen on the job.

Other NCAEC staff and youth coordinators from several EMCs also assisted with the training and recreation programs.

To Represent EMCs

Nine Youth Ambassadors Appointed

Nine North Carolina high school students have been named Youth Ambassadors for the state's Electric Membership Corporations (EMCs).

They were selected from among the participants in the co-ops' first statewide Youth Energy Retreat.

The ambassadors will serve as liaisons between the EMCs and various school and youth organizations.

"We believe these students will be able to do an outstanding job of educating many of their peers on how co-ops operate and on the rules of electrical safety," said Dan Cook, a senior information specialist with the statewide EMC organization.

The Youth Ambassadors include three students representing Blue Ridge EMC, Lenoir: Shannon Goodman of Rt. 1, Todd; Melissa Ann (Missy) Worrell of Rt. 2, Sparta and Adrienne Harless of Rt. 2, West Jefferson.

Two of the Ambassadors represented Brunswick EMC, Shallotte: Robert Purdue of Chadbourn and Regina Ward of Whiteville.

Other Ambassadors are: Timothy Penninger of Lexington, Davidson EMC; Heather Lail of Clyde, Haywood EMC, Waynesville; Amy Spell of Autryville, South River EMC, Dunn and Katina Hartsfield of Wake Forest, Wake EMC.



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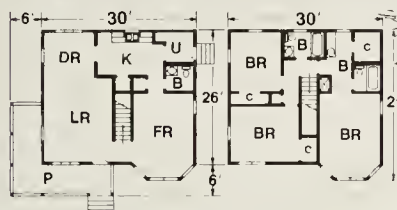
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Election Offers 13 Races With 12 Incumbents

Twelve incumbents will be seeking re-election in North Carolina's 13 top races as Tar Heel voters go to the polls Nov. 8.

In the congressional races, all 11 incumbents are up for another term in Washington while in the governor's race, Republican James G. Martin is seeking his second four-year term.

Legislation permitting gubernatorial succession was enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly during the administration of Gov. James B. Hunt Jr. Gov. Hunt became the state's first two-term chief executive.

Gov. Martin, who is trying to be the first Tar Heel Republican governor to succeed himself in office, will face Lt. Gov. Robert Jordan, who hopes to return the governorship to the Democrats.

Jordan's lieutenant governor post is the only one of the 13 major state races to be without an incumbent. In that race, Democrat Tony Rand, State Senate majority leader, will face Republican James Gardner, former congressman and a two-time candidate for governor.

In the congressional races, Second District Rep. I. T. (Tim) Valentine and Third District Rep. Martin Lancaster—both Democrats—face no opposition.

In other races, Eleventh District Rep. James McClure Clarke will be trying to win his first re-election. He first won the seat in 1982, but failed to win re-election bid in 1984. Clarke faces Republican Charles H. Taylor.

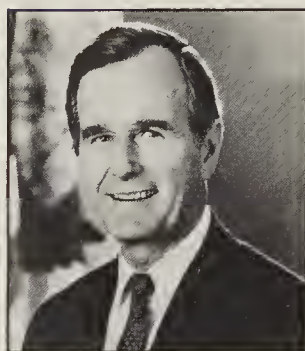
Two congressmen—Democrat Rep. David E. Price of the Fourth District and Republican Rep. Cass Ballenger of the Tenth District—will be trying to win a re-election for the first time after having captured their seats in the 1986 election.

Challenging Price is Republican Tom Fetzer. Ballenger faces Democrat Jack L. Rhyne.



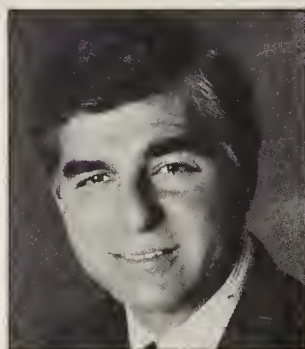
President

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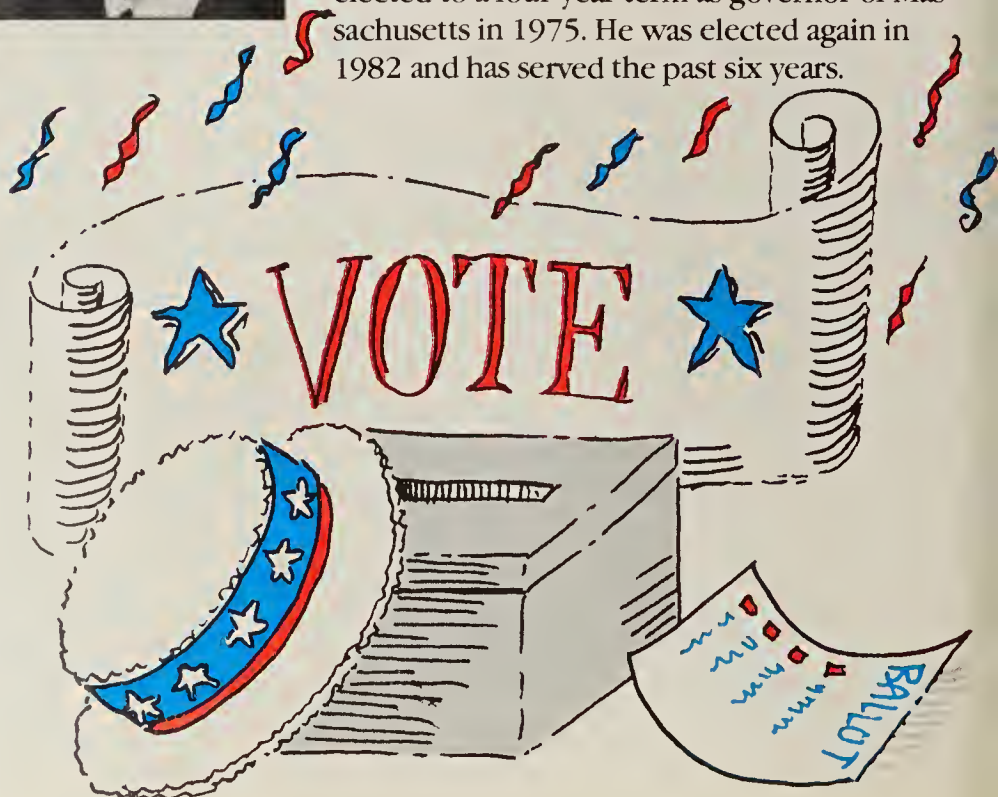


George Bush has served the nation as its Vice President since 1981. A U.S. Navy veteran, Bush graduated from Yale University. The 64-year-old Bush is a former congressman—having served Texas' Seventh District for two terms. From 1971 until his election as Vice President in 1980, he served at various times as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations; Chief of the U.S. Liaison Office in the People's Republic of China; Chairman of the Republican National Committee and Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

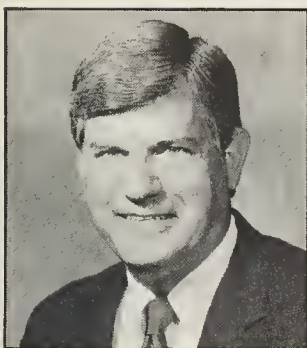
Democrat



Michael Dukakis has served three terms as governor of Massachusetts. A U.S. Army veteran, Dukakis received his undergraduate and law degrees from Harvard University. The 54-year-old Dukakis served seven years as a state representative in the Massachusetts House. From 1971 to 1973, he moderated public television's debate show, "The Advocates." Dukakis was elected to a four-year term as governor of Massachusetts in 1975. He was elected again in 1982 and has served the past six years.



Governor



Republican

Gov. James G. Martin is seeking re-election to the governor's seat after becoming only the second Republican governor elected this century in 1984. Previously, Martin was a six-term congressman from the state's Ninth District—serving on the House Ways and Means Committee. Martin grew up in Winnsboro, SC, and received his undergraduate degree from Davidson College and his Ph.D. from Princeton University. A former chemistry professor at Davidson College, Martin served three terms as a Mecklenburg County Commissioner and served as president of the N.C. Association of County Commissioners.



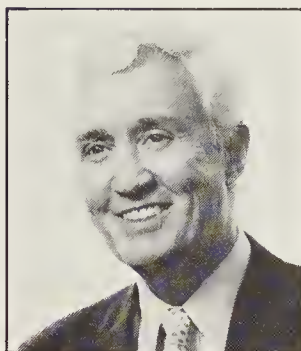
Democrat

Lt. Gov. Robert B. Jordan III of Mt. Gilead is the highest ranking Democrat in state government, winning election in 1984. Owner of a successful lumber business, Jordan was active in Montgomery County affairs before being elected to the State Senate for four terms from 1977 to 1985. During his tenure in the State Senate, Jordan chaired the Base Budget Committee and served on numerous other committees. He served for 10 years on the Board of Trustees of the Consolidated University of North Carolina and was a member of the UNC Board of Governors from 1971 to 1976.



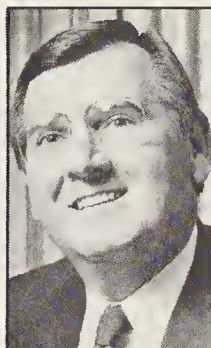
Lieutenant Governor

Republican



James Gardner of Rocky Mount, is a former U.S. congressman who has run twice for governor. A co-founder of Hardee's Food Systems and president of Gardner's Foods, he was elected to Congress in 1966. In 1968, he received the Republican nomination for governor before losing to Bob Scott. In 1972, he lost the party nomination to James Holshouser. He is a former president of the American Basketball Association, a former vice chairman of the State Economic Development Board and a former chairman of the N.C. Republican Party.

Democrat



Tony Rand of Fayetteville is the State Senate Majority Leader, having served in the Senate since 1981. He is the chairman of the Appropriations Base Budget Committee. A senior partner of a Fayetteville law firm, Rand is a member of numerous state and national legal organizations. He is also a member of the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce, Fayetteville Homebuilders Association and the UNC-Chapel Hill Board of Visitors.

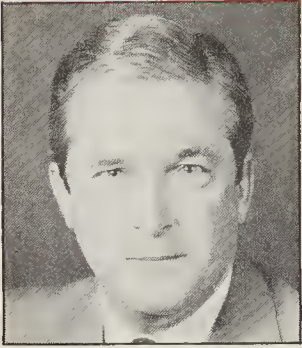
Carolina Country's special election coverage encompasses profiles of the candidates for President, Governor, Lt. Governor and the U.S. House of Representatives. Biographical material provided by the candidates for these offices is presented in this section, covering pages 14-19.

In addition, the candidates were asked to address key issues affecting the nation's rural electric cooperatives. Their responses appear in a separate section, starting on page 32.



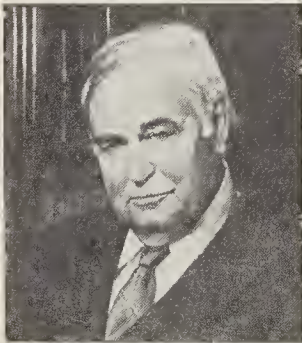
First District

Republican



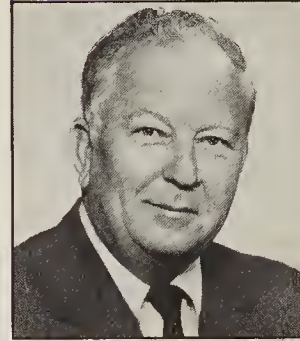
Howard D. Moye Jr. is a real estate broker and developer who lives in Farmville. A graduate of N. C. State University, Moye is a former executive vice president of the United Tobacco Growers Association and former northeastern regional manager of the N. C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development.

Democrat



U. S. Rep. Walter B. Jones of Farmville, a member of Congress since 1966, is chairman of the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries and a member of the House Committee on Agriculture. A graduate of N. C. State University, Jones is a former mayor of Farmville and served one term in the State Senate and three terms in the State House of Representatives.

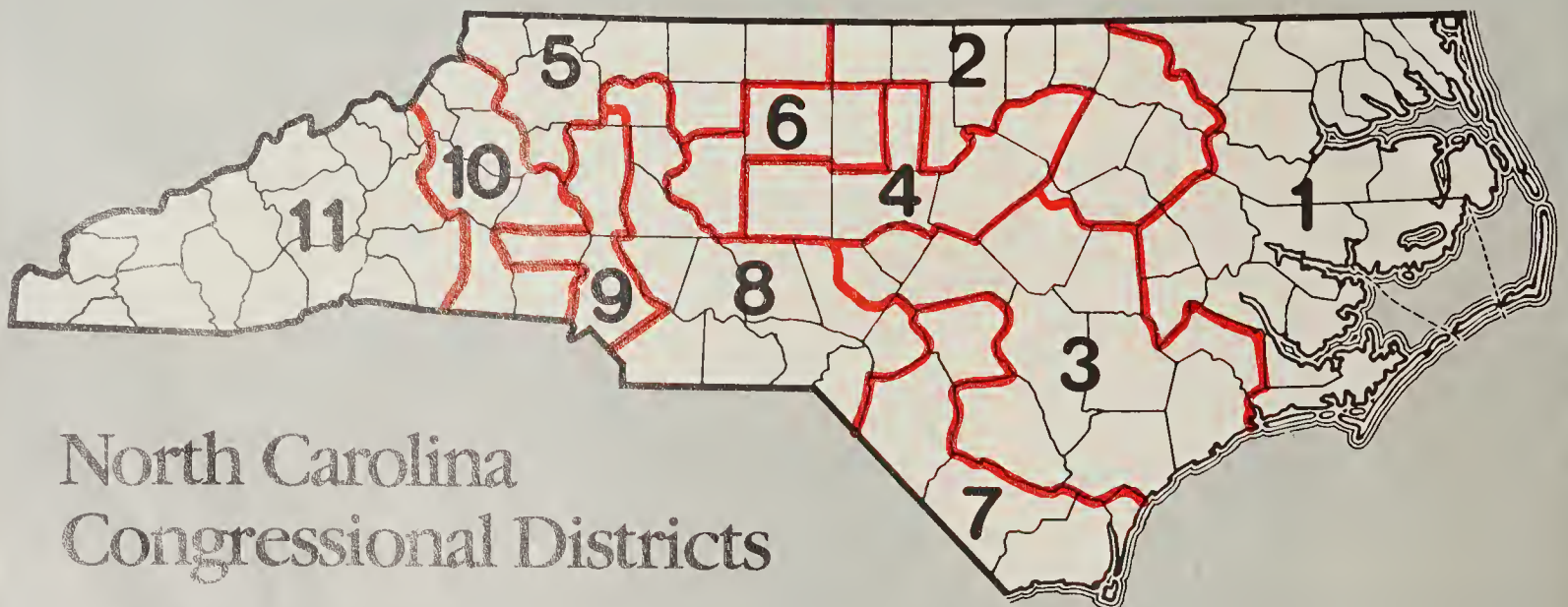
Second District



Democrat

U. S. Rep. I. T. (Tim) Valentine of Nashville, a member of Congress since 1983, is a member of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee and the Science, Space and Technology Committee. A graduate of The Citadel, Valentine received his law degree from the University of North Carolina. He served three terms in the State House and was legal advisor to the late Gov. Dan Moore. He is the former chairman of the N. C. Democratic Executive Committee. Valentine is unopposed.

★ **VOTE** ★



North Carolina
Congressional Districts



Third District

Democrat



U. S. Rep. Martin Lancaster of Goldsboro, a member of Congress since 1987, is a member of the House Armed Services Committee and the House Committee on Agriculture. A former four-term member of the State House, Lancaster served as chairman of the House Judiciary Committee. He received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of North Carolina. Lancaster is unopposed.

Fourth District

Republican



Tom Fetzer of Raleigh has a B.A. in politics from Wake Forest University. He worked in the campaigns of Bill Cobey for Lt. Governor and John East for U. S. Senate, and served as Sen. East's executive assistant.

In 1982 and 1984, Fetzer worked in the political campaigns for former Congressman Bill Cobey and Senator Jesse Helms.

In 1986, he became Executive Vice-President of Builders Direct, Ltd., a Raleigh building supply company. He remained there until he resigned to run for Congress.

Fetzer has been active in the programs of the Boy Scouts, Boys and Girls Club of Wake County and his church.

Democrat



U. S. Rep. David E. Price of Chapel Hill, a member of Congress since 1987, is a member of the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee and the Science, Space and Technology Committee. A former professor at Duke University, Price has been chairman and executive director of the N. C. Democratic Party. He received his undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina and his Ph.D. from Yale University.

Fifth District

Republican

Lyons Gray of Winston-Salem did not respond.



Democrat

U. S. Rep. Stephen L. Neal of Winston-Salem, a member of Congress since 1975, is a member of the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee and is chairman of the subcommittee on International Finance, Trade and Monetary Policy. A graduate of the University of Hawaii, Neal is a former mortgage broker and was previously publisher of several community newspapers.

Sixth District



Republican

U. S. Rep. Howard Coble of Greensboro, a member of Congress since 1985, is a member of the House Judiciary Committee and the House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries. He is a former member of the N. C. House of Representatives, and was an assistant U. S. Attorney and Commissioner of the N. C. Department of Revenue. He received his undergraduate degree from Guilford College and his law degree from the University of North Carolina.

Democrat

Tom Gilmore of Julian did not respond.



Seventh District

Republican



George G. (Jerry) Thompson of Rt. 2, Lumberton, did not provide biographical material.

Democrat



U. S. Rep. Charlie Rose of Fayetteville, a member of Congress since 1973, is a member of the House Committee on Agriculture and is chairman of the subcommittee on Tobacco and Peanuts. He is also a member of the Livestock, Dairy and Poultry and the Cotton, Rice and Sugar subcommittees. He is the former chief district court prosecutor for the state's 12th Judicial District. Rose received his undergraduate degree from Davidson College and his law degree from the University of North Carolina.

Eighth District

Republican

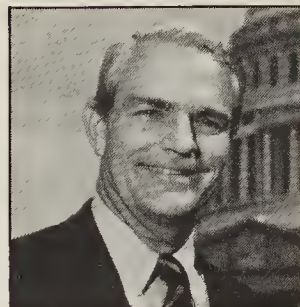
Ted Blanton of Salisbury did not respond.

Democrat



U. S. Rep. W. G. (Bill) Hefner of Kannapolis, a member of Congress since 1975, is a member of the House Appropriations Committee and is chairman of the subcommittee on Military Construction. He is a member of the Board of Visitors of the U. S. Military Academy and serves as a deputy majority whip. A veteran of more than 20 years in the entertainment business, Hefner was a member of the nationally known gospel group, the Harvesters Quartet.

Ninth District



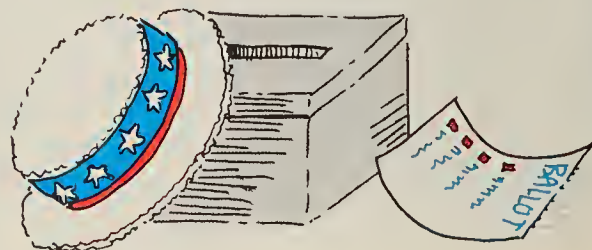
Republican

Alex McMillan of Charlotte has represented the Ninth District in Congress since 1985. He serves on the House Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs Committee, the Small Business Committee, the Joint Economic Committee and various subcommittees. He was formerly president and chief executive officer of Harris Teeter Super Markets and liaison officer and chairman of Ruddick Corporation in Charlotte. He received a B.A. in history from UNC-CH and an MBA from the University of Virginia.



Democrat

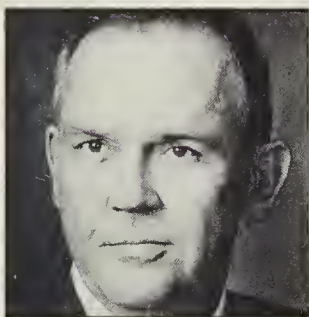
Mark Sholander of Pineville has been the regional vice president of the American Arbitration Association since 1981. A lawyer, he has been a guest lecturer at numerous North Carolina colleges in addition to writing articles for many trade publications. He is a member of the Employee Assistance Society of North America, the Society of Professionals in Dispute Resolution and the American Society of Association Executives.





Tenth District

Republican



U. S. Rep. Cass Ballenger of Hickory, a member of Congress since 1987, is a member of the House Education and Labor Committee and House Public Works and Transportation Committee. He is the founder and chairman of Plastic Packaging, Inc., Hickory. He is a former member of the N. C. House of Representatives and served 10 years in the State Senate. Ballenger is a former chairman of the Catawba County Board of Commissioners and a former chairman of the Catawba County Republican Party. He is a graduate of Amherst College.

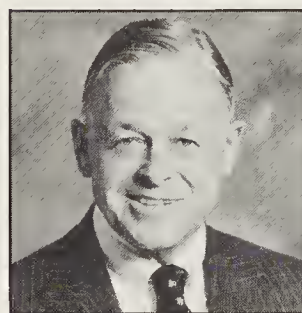
Democrat

Jack L. Rhyne of Belmont did not respond.

Eleventh District

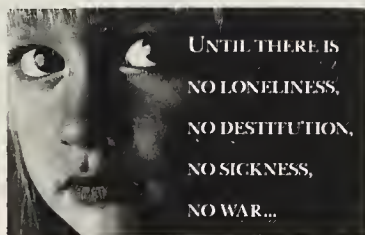
Republican

Charles H. Taylor of Brevard did not respond.



Democrat

James McClure Clarke of Fairview is a dairy farmer and apple orchard operator. He served two terms in the N. C. House and one in the N. C. Senate. He served in the U. S. House of Representatives in 1983-84. A bid for re-election failed but he regained his seat in 1987. He serves on three committees: Foreign Affairs, Interior and Insular Affairs and the Select Committee on Aging. He is a trustee of Warren Wilson College and former chairman of the Buncombe County Board of Education.



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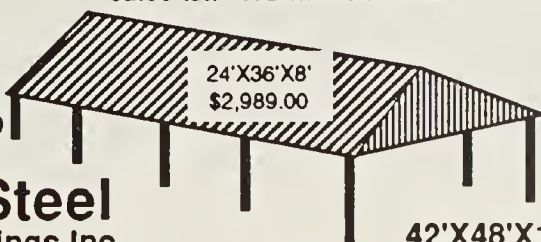
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Three Agribusiness Firms Honored

Three North Carolina companies were honored recently with distinguished service awards from the N.C. Agribusiness Council.

The Council's Governor's Awards, presented by Gov. James G. Martin at the organization's annual meeting in Raleigh, went to Goldsboro Milling Company in agricultural production; Cuddy Farms, Inc., in processing and marketing and Gregory Manufacturing Company, in service and supply.

Gene A. James, chairman and chief executive officer at Southern States Cooperative, gave the meeting's keynote address—paying tribute to North Carolina's agribusiness sector, which has remained strong even while other farming areas of the country are slumping.

"North Carolina has been a very dynamic agricultural state," said James. "... (It) has taken a number of innovative steps in farmer marketing, biotechnology, vegetable processing, diversification and poultry production."

Based in Richmond, VA, Southern States is a farmer-owned cooperative with retail outlets in six states. The cooperative has 60 retail stores in North Carolina, which generated one sixth of the organization's \$747 million sales last year.

The Governor's Awards cited Goldsboro Milling Company as one of the nation's largest producers of turkeys, hatching eggs and poults. Diamond Poultry Farms, one of the five companies that comprise Goldsboro Milling Company, produces over 35 million eggs a year—13 percent of the total U.S. output.

The 72-year-old company was cited for its production, processing and marketing of over 10 million turkeys a year, and selling eggs throughout the U.S. and Canada.

Cuddy Farms, Inc., which has its North Carolina base in Marshville, was honored for its outstanding accomplishments in the state since the company arrived in 1969. The world's largest producer of turkey hatching eggs and turkey poults, Cuddy Farms, Inc., provides jobs for almost 2,000 workers.

The company has expanded rapidly since coming to North Carolina—acquiring the closed Armour and Company processing plant in Marshville and the Central Soya turkey processing plant in Monroe.

Founded in 1984, the Gregory Manufacturing Company was cited for its rapid growth and for the service it has provided farmers with parts, service and the building of automatic tobacco harvesters, peanut combines and specialized cutting equipment. Based in Bertie County, the company is continuing to grow—with sales now up 38 percent this year over 1987.

In other proceedings, Council directors elected to serve through 1991 were: Neil D. Baker, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., Wilson; Russell W. Daniels Jr., Branch Banking & Trust Co., Wilson; David H. Dawe, BASF Corporation, Chemicals Division, Research Triangle Park; Charles E. Gregory, Gregory Manufacturing Co., Lewiston-Woodville; Jacob F. Grigg, Mountain Farm Credit Service, Asheville; James M. Hubbard, N. C. Association of Electric Cooperatives, Raleigh; Murray Jones, R. J. Reynolds Tobacco USA, Winston-Salem; Bernard F. Kornegay, W. S. Clark & Sons, Tarboro; Elton C. Parker, Jr., Deloitte, Haskins & Sells, Raleigh; Larry M. Sykes, Phillip Morris USA, Richmond and George L. Rolofson, Ciba-Geigy Corp., Greensboro.

Annabelle L. Fetterman, Lundy Packing Co., Clinton, was selected to fill an unexpired term running through 1989.

Officers elected for the upcoming year were: M. Sherrill Williams, House-Autry Mills, Newton Grove, president; Jack L. Milani, Jr., Texasgulf Inc., Raleigh, president-elect; William H. Shepard, Jr., Goldsboro Milling Co., Goldsboro, secretary and James F. Wilder, N. C. Soybean Producers Association, Raleigh, treasurer.

—Story and photo by Randy Wheelless



Joining Gov. James G. Martin in the "winner's circle" after the 1988 Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Agribusiness Council are representatives of the three firms that received distinguished service awards during the meeting. From the left are Bruce Cuddy of Cuddy Farms in Marshville, Gov. Martin, William H. (Billy) Shepard Jr. and J. L. (Louie) Maxwell of Goldsboro Milling Co. and Charles E. Gregory of Gregory Manufacturing Co.

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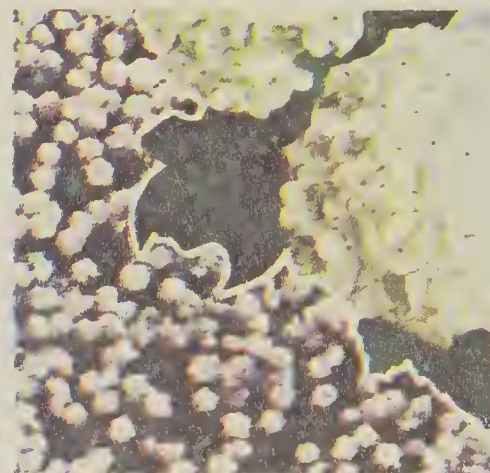
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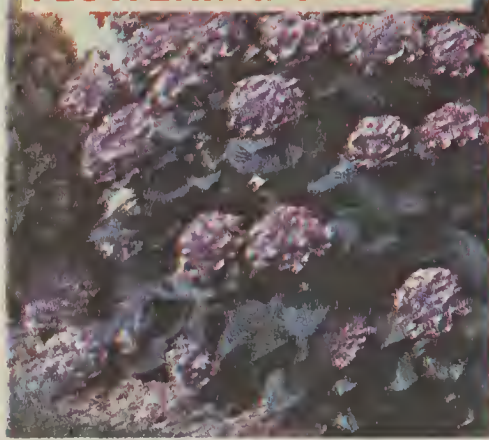


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Deciduous shade tree. Wide-spreading dense habit. Lustrous, chestnut-like leaves provide dense shade. Yellow fall color. Tall-growing, over 35' (11 m.) Prune in late fall or winter. Uses: Specimen. Follow planting diagram exactly.

LOMBARDY POPLAR

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Suitable as a background, along driveways, screening off outbuildings and other unsightly objects.

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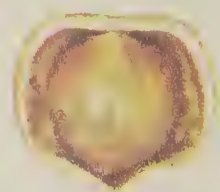
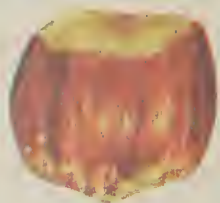
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Delicious Nuts

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One of the best nut trees, especially for northern states. Large white, 4-angled nuts, sweet kernel.

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Big pecan-shaped nuts with rich, buttery flavor and tender white meat. Hardy, fast growing, high-yielding, superb shade tree.

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Beautiful, rapid growing, sturdy trees produced from seed of thin shelled, hardy varieties. Kernels are delicious but usually smaller than grafted pecans.



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One of the better varieties. Fruit is large in size, reddish purple in color with red flesh. Tree is vigorous grower and does well on most types of soil. Heavy annual bearer. Good shipper.

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2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

This large plum matures very early. The tree bears heavily. To avoid "June drop," the dropping of excess fruit, thin the fruits.

DWARF BLUE DAMSON PLUM

3 to 5 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

Small blue-black fruit has very tart green flesh. Excellent for jam and jelly. Small, hardy, self-fertile tree.

DWARF BURBANK PLUM

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

Large, dark red fruit has amber yellow flesh of excellent flavor. Ripes mid-season. Medium sized, hardy, deciduous tree.

DWARF SANTA ROSA PLUM

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

Large reddish-purple fruit, flesh tinged with red. Juicy, delicious flavor.

STANDARD PEARS

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Plums should be planted 20 ft. apart. Many are self-sterile and need other varieties for pollination to insure fruiting. Plums like moderate temperature and moisture with plenty of soil nitrogen. Hardiness varies with variety of region.

DWARF J. H. HALE PEACH

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Known as the "Million Dollar Peach," J. H. Hale is an almost fuzz-less fruit with thick, golden yellow flesh, tender and delicious. A perfect freestone. Trees bear young, reach a mature height of 16 to 18 feet. Fruit extra large, perfect for canning, freezing.

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An early-producing yellow-fleshed freestone variety, an old favorite with gardeners for dessert, canning and freezing. Tender sweet fruit of highest quality. Resists excessive cold. Ripens in mid to late August in central and midwestern states.

STANDARD PEARS

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DWARF ELBERTA PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

These delicious, outstanding, large golden peaches are favorites for the home orchard. Fruit is freestone with firm, juicy flesh which ripens evenly. Elbertas have large fruits, ideal for canning, freezing and for desserts. Ripens in mid-summer.

DWARF DIXIE RED PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

Outstanding early peach of finest quality. Deep red blush, sweet juicy flavor.

DWARF RED HAVEN PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

From beautiful pink blossoms in spring to red fruit in summer this freestone peach is an all-time favorite for the home garden. Strong-growing, prolific. Fruit is excellent for canning, freezing and fresh.

DWARF HALE HAVEN PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

This excellent large, uniform, dark red peach is a freestone variety. It ripens about two weeks ahead of Elberta. The flesh of the fruit is yellow. The tree is a vigorous, prolific, hardy, heavy bearer. Needs abundant moisture.

DWARF LORING PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

A yellow freestone peach with red and yellow skin. Excellent fresh or canned. Ripens in mid-late summer.



DWARF BARTLETT PEAR

2 to 4 ft. . . . 7.98 ea. 10 for 79.00

Favorite eating pear. Ripens in early fall. The tree is adaptable, hardy, medium growing, and bears fruit at an early age. Plant in a sunny area.

DWARF KIEFFER PEAR

2 to 4 ft. . . . 7.98 ea. 10 for 79.00

Medium size fruit with thick skin and yellowish-white, coarse flesh that is crisp and juicy. Tree is disease resistant; good variety for extreme climate with high tolerance to heat and cold.

DWARF CHAMPION PEACH

2 to 4 ft. . . . 4.98 ea. 10 for 49.50

Very vigorous, hardy and productive. Leading white variety for commercial use. Fruit large, with bright attractive red almost covering the white background. Flesh white, highly flavored and very firm. Freestone.



MIMOSA—Pink

3 to 5 ft. . . . 2.49 ea.

10 for 29.00

Small ornamental tree widely planted throughout the south. Grows to blooming size in a short time and masses of pink flowers are borne through early summer. A good flowering tree for almost any soil condition.

EUROPEAN MOUNTAIN ASH

3 to 5 ft. . . . 3.98 ea.

10 for 39.00

Very hardy, dense head, and regular, beautiful fernlike green foliage, covered from July till winter with clusters of bright red berries. The combination of foliage and clustered fruits make this most striking and beautiful. Ultimate height 30 feet.

AMERICAN REDBUD

3 to 5 ft. . . . 2.98 ea.

10 for 29.00

The Redbud is often used as a specimen or to provide a high point in a shrub border. Branches are covered with small, pea-like, purplish pink blossoms before the foliage comes out in spring. Ultimate height 15 feet.

MAGNOLIA GRANDIFLORA

1/2 to 1 ft. . . . 1.98 ea.

10 for 19.00

Magnificent specimen tree with big glossy leaves and fragrant white flowers. Grows to about 40 feet.

PURPLE FLOWERING SAUCER MAGNOLIA

1 to 2 ft. . . . 4.98 ea.

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Large lily-shaped flowers of dark reddish purple. Blooms later and longer than soulangeana. Height to 20 feet.



BURNING BUSH

10 for 5.00

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In fall the leaves turn a brilliant mirror-bright crimson. A 4-5 ft. showpiece with unusual corky bark. Hardy in sun or partial shade.



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RED OR PINK FLOWERING DOGWOOD

2 to 4 ft. . . . 9.98 ea.

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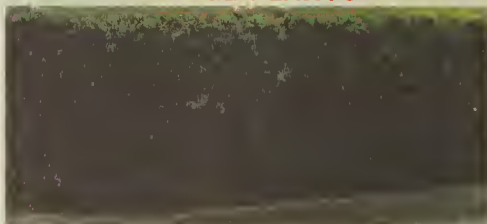
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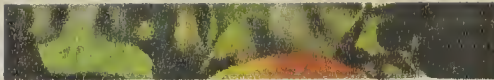
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144 Years of "People In Partnership"

The following editorial was written by Don Heathington, president of the National Rural Electric Cooperative Association and manager of Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Artesia, NM.

This month, the nation's cooperatively owned rural electric systems join with nearly 45,000 different co-ops across America to celebrate October as Co-op Month—and to recall the modest beginnings of the co-op movement 144 years ago.

It was in 1844 in the factory town of Rochdale, England, that 28 factory workers—mostly weavers—scraped together enough venture capital (through two-pence-a-week subscriptions) to organize the first cooperative store.

In 1988, rural electric cooperatives remain as showcase examples among the half million organizations which make up the movement of cooperative enterprises that serve more than 200 million families throughout the world. In the U.S. alone, nearly 60 million people are members of cooperatives. Many families, particularly those living in rural areas, are members of several cooperatives.

This October, the theme of Co-op Month is "People in Partnership." The theme reminds us of the inherently democratic nature of the principles we use in governing and managing cooperatives. Cooperatives are the finest kinds of institutions because they encourage people to help themselves.

Cooperatives are guided under democratic controls and the principle of "one member, one vote." In a cooperative, it is people—and not dollars and shares and stock options—which determine the governance and direction of member-owned and controlled enterprises.

In a cooperative that is governed with proper regard to democratic principles, the people—the members—have the last word. They can associate themselves with a cooperative and derive tremendous strength as con-

sumers, as citizens and as persons—finding economic security (and clout) which most likely they would not otherwise have.

Insofar as rural electric cooperatives are concerned, we consider their great achievement—bringing power to rural America—as one of the finest examples of how cooperatives can meet and fulfill needs which never would have been possible under traditional laissez faire economics. Through partnership with the federal government and the Rural Electrification Administration (REA), the early rural electric pioneers pulled off one of the truly stunning accomplishments in economic cooperation for all time.

Because of this cooperative partnership, there is today a network of cooperative electric lines reaching out over 70 percent of the land mass of the U.S.—providing electricity to more than 25 million people.

Cooperatives are unique in our system of competition in that they deal with questions that are often beyond the reach of the traditional forms of enterprise. In their finest hours, co-op organizations have reached out to deal with uniquely human problems. They have helped those who have lacked economic opportunity in such areas as training, education, housing and health to adopt cooperative, self-help methods.

The six principles of cooperation that are practiced by the movement worldwide are grounded in the primacy of the individual, in the idea that human beings have equal worth.

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Open Membership: Co-op membership must be open to those who have reasonable use for the services offered. Membership must not be denied on grounds of race or class, sex, religion, politics or national origin.

Democratic Control: This principle, advanced by the concept of "one member, one vote," is at the very heart of what makes cooperatives distinct from other economic organizations. Above all, it insists that voting power is not based on dollars of investments or patronage.

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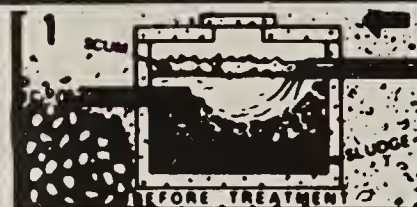
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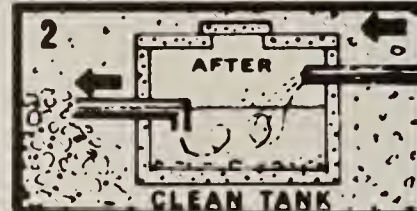
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Candidates' Views

Bush, Dukakis Comment On Rural Electric Issues

The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association asked both Vice President George Bush and Gov. Michael Dukakis to respond to two questions on issues affecting rural electrification. Here are the questions:

Question No. 1:

• The Reagan administration has recommended drastic curtailment of the rural electrification loan program and phasing out the REA. What is your position?

Question No. 2:

• Some people advocate the abolition of long standing federal power programs and urge that government-owned hydro electric facilities be sold to private entities. What is your position on this issue?

The candidates responses follow:

Vice President George Bush

I believe that more than 60 million Americans who live in rural America should enjoy opportunities equal to those enjoyed by urban citizens: the same job opportunities, access to services and quality of life. To ensure a prosperous future we must develop all aspects of the rural economy. Strong support for rural cooperatives is a basic commitment I have made to the future of rural America. The 1988 Republican platform reflects my belief. I am proud to stand on its firm principles.

Our rural electric and telephone cooperatives have an outstanding record of bringing essential services to the countryside. You have had and you will have a vital role in building a bright future for our Main Street businesses, farmers and ranchers.

The key to rural development is effective local leadership working in partnership with private business, cooperatives and federal, state and local governments. In my administration, we will make more effective use of federal resources to encourage such partnerships.

An important part of this program will be to expand our efforts to make rural communities more attractive to industry.

Your success in bringing electric power to rural America provides the leadership and experience needed as we move forward to new challenges. Today, more than 20 federal programs are involved in rural development. In the future, we must carefully coordinate all of these efforts to ensure the best possible results. Rural electric administration programs and locally-owned cooperatives play a vital role. They exemplify the spirit of public-private partnership that is the key to the future.

I have an ambitious agenda for rural America, and I believe we can fulfill it.

Electric and telephone cooperatives have long been in the forefront of promoting business and industrial development. With your wealth of

experience, your leadership will be invaluable in creating the partnerships I envision to chart a positive course for the future, community by community, across this great land. Working together, we can build a bright future for all Americans.

Gov. Michael Dukakis

Question 1: All across this country rural communities are struggling to get back on their feet. For too many of our smaller communities—from the mining towns of Northern Minnesota to the oil towns of Oklahoma; from the tobacco fields of North Carolina to the farming towns of Iowa—the past eight years have been a time of neglect and indifference from Washington. The 1990s *must* be—*can* be—and *will* be different.

The Rural Electrification Administration is the lifeblood of rural America. And nowhere is the Republican indifference to rural America more apparent than in the administration's repeated assaults on the budget of the REA and the REA loan program. Rural electric cooperatives provide power to 25 million Americans. Rural America depends on this source of power and rural cooperatives depend on the REA. Together they provide the fairly-priced power that is the key to economic development and real opportunity in rural America.

As President, I won't turn my back on rural America, and I won't turn my back on the REA. I'll lend a hand to the millions of local officials, farmers, rural entrepreneurs, electrical cooperatives and just plain private citizens who are anxious—and ready—to rebuild their communities. By ensuring fairly priced power through a revived REA, we can help bring vibrant economic growth to rural America once again.

Question 2: In reference to the sale of federal power facilities: I firmly oppose such sales. Providing power to sparsely populated areas far exceeds the cost of electrifying more settled regions. Privatizing Power Marketing Agencies (PMAs) would drive the price of power through the roof for millions of rural



customers. For seven years now, the federal government has given rural America the back of its hand. It's time we lent a helping hand instead. As President, I will not privatize PMAs.

But I won't stop there. I'll help rural communities bring new life to our heartland with a fund to rebuild America—a half-a-billion-dollar investment in our nation's future. This fund will invest in our roads and bridges; in bringing new technologies to rural America; in capital for small businesses; in job-creating, economy-building partnerships that can bring new jobs—and new hope—to rural America.

Because it's time we helped rural America get back on its feet—through a real commitment to a sound REA and a real plan for rural development.

First District

Howard Moye

I am fully supportive of the Rural Electrification Administration and the rural electric loan program. I believe that the customer-owned and managed cooperatives offer the most cost-effective option today.

Walter B. Jones

Throughout my entire public service career, I have supported the REA program. During my service in the North Carolina General Assembly, both in the House of Representatives and the Senate, I supported all REA issues. In the 1960s, I served as a legislative representative for the REA co-ops across North Carolina. During my 22 years as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have dedicated my efforts to not only preserving but also expanding all REA programs. I do not see a conflict between the large power companies and the REA, since they serve two different segments of our society. I expect to continue my support of REA programs so long as I am permitted to serve in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Second District

Tim Valentine

In my opinion, three developments have had the greatest impact on the everyday lives of the citizens of rural North Carolina. They are the construction of paved roads, the development of the deep well and the wiring of the countryside for electricity. Of the three, I consider electricity to be the most influential.

Today, it is easy for us to overlook the significance of the electrification of rural America. We are used to having electricity with a flick of a switch. To those who saw the first electric light come from a little white bulb, however, it was nothing less than a miracle. . . .

Although some people might question the need for the continuation of the Rural Electrification Administration and rural electric loan programs, there are many of us in Congress who are committed to ensuring that REA will continue to serve the needs of rural America. I recognize that Congress and the administration must continue efforts to address the federal budget deficit. At the same time, I believe it is vital that essential government programs, such as REA and other federal power programs, be funded at adequate levels.

You may be assured of my continuing support for the innovative programs being brought to the rural communities of North Carolina. I am proud of my association with the electric cooperatives of our state and look forward to working with them in the future.

Third District

H. Martin Lancaster

As a member of a rural North Carolina farm family, I have personal experience with rural America's need for the Rural Electrification Administration and the rural electric loan programs. I have supported REA objectives and resisted efforts by the administration to dismantle it during my first term in Congress, and I intend to continue this support as long as I am in public office.

I support the present mix of 70 percent federally insured loans and 30 percent "open market" loans for electric co-op capital improvements. I also support the continued availability of federally guaranteed loans for co-op construction of generating plants.

I feel that selling off such assets as federal water power projects is not a proper way to raise money to reduce the federal deficit. The hydro projects have a record of paying their own way and providing power at low cost to public agencies. Allowing the current administration—or any administration—to sell off these assets would be poor public policy and would, in the final analysis, be much more costly to the taxpayers than maintaining them and managing them for the public good.



Fourth District

Tom Fetzner

Question 1: I support quality electric service for all communities at reasonable prices. The best thing Congress can do for all utility customers is balance the federal budget to bring down interest rates.

By competing with other borrowers for a limited pool of money, Congress drives up interest rates when they run deficits. A survey of investment managers on Wall Street—the people who control billions of dollars—found that passage of a balanced budget amendment would dramatically lower interest rates. This would lower costs for REA and other borrowers.

I believe in a balanced budget and I'll fight for it in Congress. This will help the average family by lowering the hidden tax of high interest rates.

Question 2: I favor a reassessment of federal power marketing to find what works and what doesn't. For example, it costs taxpayers \$1 billion a year to subsidize electric power in the Pacific Northwest, where consumers pay 60 percent less for electricity than we do. Some of the customers receiving these subsidies are big aluminum and paper companies that could afford to pay.

To bring down high interest rates, which penalize every family through higher mortgage rates and higher utility bills, Congress must balance the budget. Congress isn't serious about balancing the budget when they spend \$10 billion to buy sunflower oil and \$250,000 to study wild pigs and exotic plants. Congress isn't serious about balancing the budget when they vote for half a billion dollars to buy trucks for the army that the army says aren't needed. I will be serious about balancing the budget without raising taxes. This will help the average family cope with inflation and build for their future.

David Price

Question 1: I believe that the Rural Electrification Administration and the rural electric loan programs are critical elements of government support to rural areas in the U.S. whose benefits must be maintained for citizens served by them. I have co-sponsored HR 2045, which would amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to permit the prepayment of Federal Financing Bank loans made to rural electrification and telephone systems. In addition, I have written a number of letters to the REA asking them to provide additional loans to electric cooperatives in North Carolina. I will continue to provide whatever support I can to the citizens of North Carolina through the work of North Carolina's electric cooperatives and intercessions with the REA.

Question 2: I have opposed recent administration proposals to sell federal interests in regional power administrations and proposals to substantially alter the pricing policies of those administrations.

Fifth District

Steve Neal

The survival of the Rural Electrification Administration and the rural electric loan programs has been a priority for me during my entire 14 years in the House of Representatives.

The past six years especially has been a time when the administration has tried to persuade Congress to kill the loan programs and sell off important national assets. I have worked against those policies. Instead, I have supported programs to assure adequate electric resources in rural areas while also encouraging diversity and competition.

North Carolina electric cooperatives have provided a tremendous service for the rural citizens of our state. I will continue to do my part in Congress to support your fine work.

Lyons Gray

Republican candidate **Lyons Gray** did not respond.

Sixth District

Howard Coble

I have been a strong supporter of the Rural Electrification Administration (REA) and have fought administration attempts to terminate the present REA loan program. I voted in favor of the fiscal year 1989 agriculture appropriations bill, which maintains funding for REA loans to electric and telephone systems. This legislation sets a floor of \$622 million and a ceiling of \$933 million on insured loans to rural electric systems.

I have also supported federal funding for the development of clean coal technologies. New economical methods to burn coal cleaner will greatly enhance the ability of rural electric cooperatives to offer their customers electricity at reasonable rates while protecting the environment.

Rural electric cooperatives have been supplying electricity at reasonable rates to rural communities for many years, and I will continue to support the REA programs which have helped to make this possible.



Tom Gilmore

Democratic candidate **Tom Gilmore** did not respond.

Seventh District

Charlie Rose

To explain my position simply, what is important to North Carolina's electric cooperatives is also important to me. I have always been a strong supporter of the REA and rural electric loan programs in the House Committee on Agriculture and on the floor of the House of Representatives. I certainly support efforts to assist rural electric co-ops in their efforts to improve and expand service to their constituency.

In turn, I believe that federally-controlled Power Marketing Agencies (PMAs) have done an excellent job in providing electricity to rural America at a fair price, and I do support efforts to keep the PMAs under the government's sphere of influence to ensure that our rural communities continue to receive affordable service. Without a doubt, I strongly oppose the "privatization" of the Southeastern Power Administration.

George G. (Jerry) Thompson

Republican candidate **George G. (Jerry) Thompson** did not respond.

Eighth District

W. G. (Bill) Hefner

Since coming to Congress, I have supported the rural electric loan program, which has meant so much to the development of the rural areas of my district and our state. As a former member of the House Budget Committee and currently a member of the House Appropriations Committee, I have consistently spoken on behalf of the REA program and against the dismantling of REA, which this administration has pushed for so long.

The administration also continues to propose the selling off of our assets, such as our federally-owned power marketing facilities. I am unalterably opposed to this action and will continue to fight against such asset sales.

This is a constant vigil in the Congress, and I want to assure you of my support on behalf of these efforts.

Ted Blanton

Republican candidate **Ted Blanton** did not respond.

Ninth District

Alex McMillan

Question 1: I support the continuance of the Rural Electrification Administration and the rural electric loan program. There are currently 650 rural electric cooperatives which depend upon this program. Electric cooperatives need these subsidies and guarantees to provide power to rural communities.

Question 2: Although the White House has given their support to the idea of "privatization" of rural electric cooperatives, this is not acceptable as a general policy. There may be isolated government assets that could be sold. Proceeds from any sale of government assets for privatization purposes should only be used for national debt reduction, not annual deficit-reduction.

Mark Sholander

The Republican Party's reliance on "supply-side" economics encourages the private sector to pursue only those markets which will maximize profits. Due to the fact that rural areas have low populations over large territories, the profit margin for businesses is much lower than would be true in an urban environment. For many Americans, particularly in our rural communities, supply-side economics means that necessary commodities and services will either be reduced, eliminated or subject to massive price increases.

I support my party's initiatives to provide electricity to our rural communities. I believe that the federal government should encourage the continuation of these programs to assure that all Americans, regardless of their address or occupation, be entitled to safe, affordable energy sources.

If America is to continue its role as leader of the free world we must continually invest in this nation's infrastructure of utilities, roads, bridges and transportation facilities. Unfortunately, the Republicans have slashed funds for these basic government services and channeled these monies—and billions of borrowed dollars—into military programs.

According to some sources, America will experience a severe shortage of energy by the middle of the next decade. Now is the time that policies be implemented to plan for this shortage by encouraging the private sector to develop innovative, safe and efficient generating capacities needed for the future. The federal government, I believe, should be the catalyst for such planning and encouragement.



Tenth District

Cass Ballenger

For 53 years, the Rural Electric Administration (REA) has served rural America. It is a partnership between the federal government and local organizations that has been and will continue to be one of our greatest achievements.

One of the strongest endorsements for the REA, I believe, can be found in the Republican Party platform for 1988. The platform endorses a "strong rural electrification and telephone program." Furthermore, the platform notes that "the network of local rural electric and telephone cooperatives that provide these services represents a vital public/private services partnership necessary to assure growth and development of the rural economy."

Let me add my hearty endorsement for these fine words and their implications for the future of the REA. I might also add that I support the REA loan programs as well as federal power marketing policies.

Jack L. Rhyne

Democratic candidate Jack L. Rhyne did not respond.

Eleventh District

James McClure Clarke

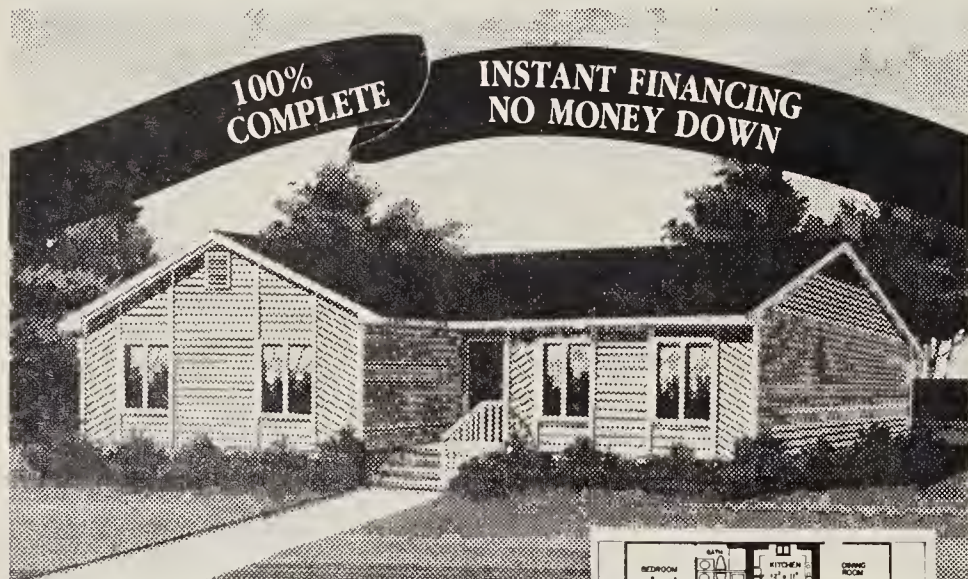
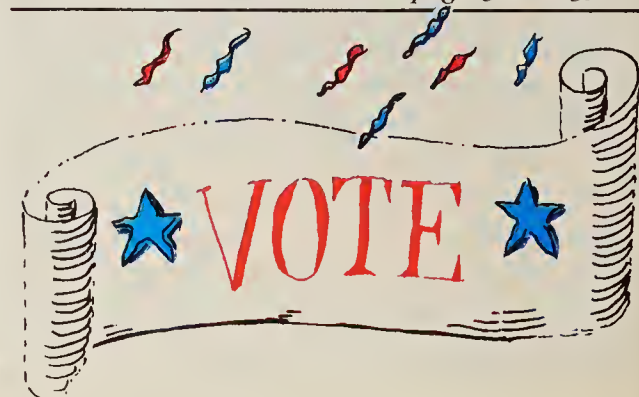
I vigorously support the Rural Electrification Administration (REA) and oppose all efforts that have been advanced in recent years to cripple its effectiveness. I am a farmer and represent a rural district in Western North Carolina. I believe we must continue to advance the fine work of the REA to improve life for all our citizens. The job is not complete, and the REA plays an important role in the economic development of rural America. I also support the rural electric loan program by continuing to make good loans available by maintaining current rates and terms.

I oppose privatizing the Federal Power Marketing Agencies (PMAs). Such a practice would increase the price of power to those who desperately need it in our nation's rural areas. This is obviously an idea advanced by those who don't understand the real needs of rural America.

Charles H. Taylor

Republican candidate Charles H. Taylor did not respond.

Candidates for governor and lieutenant governor discuss rural electric issues on pages 38 and 39.

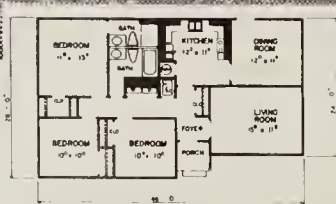


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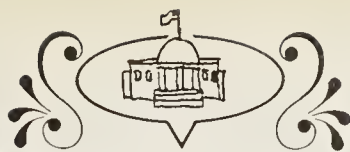
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WASHINGTON SCENE

Elections Give GOP A Chance To Take Control Of Senate

In just a few days Americans will go to the polls to select a new president.

But other elections that same day will have a lot to do with what will happen during the next administration, whether the president be George Bush or Michael Dukakis. These are the races for the one-third of the U.S. Senate which will be elected on Nov. 8.

The Democrats control the House of Representatives and the Republicans have no hope of trying to defeat them there. The Senate, however, is another matter.

The facts are these:

There are 18 Democrats and 15 Republicans seats which will be up for grabs during this year's election. Six senators—three Republicans and three Democrats—have decided they no longer want to serve in the Senate and are stepping down. The Democrats are Lawton Chiles of Florida, John Stennis of Mississippi and William Proxmire of Wisconsin. The Republicans are Paul Trible of Virginia, Robert Stafford of Vermont and Daniel Evans of the state of Washington.

Of these six, the Republicans feel they have a chance to win five. They have practically given away one seat to the Democrats in Virginia, where former Gov. Charles Robb is a heavy favorite to defeat Maurice Dawkins, a minister who is far behind Robb in the polls and likely to stay that way. In the other five states, however, the Republicans feel they have a chance.

Probably their surest winner is in Florida, where Rep. Connie Mack, a conservative, is favored to win—especially in case of a George Bush sweep of the state. The other four states will be more hotly contested.

Of the senators to be re-elected, ten of the Democrats seem to show that they can retain the seats they hold in Texas, West Virginia, Arizona, Massachusetts, Hawaii, Maine, New York, Michigan, Maryland and Tennessee.

The Republicans have six sure bets—in Utah, Indiana, Missouri, Delaware, Pennsylvania and Wyoming. A few weeks ago, six other seats held by Democrats seemed to offer a good chance for the GOP.

In North Dakota, 80-year-old Quentin Burdick, who is recovering from a serious illness, faces an aggressive campaign from Earl Strinden. In New Jersey, Frank Lautenberg has a tough opponent in Republican Pete Dawkins, who was an All-American football player at West Point and is now a retired Army General. And in Ohio, Howard Metzenbaum has a formidable opponent in Cleveland's Republican Mayor George Voinovich. But the Republicans have some problems too. In Mississippi, Republican Trent Lott, who is a GOP whip in the House, is being contested by another House member. Rep. Wayne Dowdey is favored to win in case blacks vote in large numbers. A lot of this will depend upon how much Jesse Jackson ignites his followers and gets them to the polls.

The unexpected retirement of Sen. William Proxmire in Wisconsin will pit Herbert Kohl, a businessman, against Susan Engeleiter, GOP majority leader of the state Senate. And this will be close.

In Nevada, where Republicans have had problems with a Governor whom they recently ousted, Sen. Chick Hect is considered extremely vulnerable running against Richard Bryan, who is now leading in the polls. And in Nebraska, David Karnes, a Republican who was appointed upon the death of a Democratic senator, is running behind former Democratic Gov. Robert Kerrey.

With the Democrats' present lead, it will take almost a near sweep for Republicans to gain a fifty-fifty tie, which might serve them in good stead in case Bush were elected. In that case, a Republican vice president could be a tie-breaker, giving the Republicans effective control.



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3 Candidates Discuss Issues Affecting EMCs

Candidates for North Carolina's top two executive positions were asked to respond to three questions focusing on current issues that affect electric cooperatives.

They deal with the future role of the Electric Membership Corporations in North Carolina and their prospects for growth, particularly in those areas where co-op territories are becoming more urban in nature.

Here are the questions:

Question 1: Do you agree or disagree that rural electric cooperatives still have a contribution to make in North Carolina?

Question 2: Do you agree or disagree that rural electric cooperatives should be allowed to continue providing electric service to areas where they have traditionally served even though those areas become increasingly urban in nature?

Question 3: Do you agree or disagree that the private power companies should be able to freeze the growth of rural electric systems when a city served by a private power company annexes land where a cooperative has served for years?

The candidates responses follow:

Governor

Gov. James G. Martin

Question 1: I agree. There's an old story about a farmer who had two fields. One was rocky and barren; the other was rich and fertile. The farmer, in his wisdom, allowed the rich field to grow and prosper, while he invested great energy and effort in developing—fertilizing, tending and working—the poor field. Then he waited patiently for it to bear fruit. He knew he had wisely invested his time. And that's what rural electric cooperatives, in their wisdom, have done. They established themselves in rural

North Carolina communities and then they prospered. At the same time, they tended to the less productive areas. They worked hard and expanded, and today they can claim to be one of the vital ingredients that have spurred rural growth—a key component in the blossoming of rural economic development in North Carolina.

Question 2: I agree. Rural cooperatives should continue their tradition of providing top-quality electric needs in those traditional service areas now becoming increasingly more urbanized. Rural electric cooperatives and their significant contributions of good services and affordable rates have, in fact, been responsible for much of the urbanization taking place in North Carolina. Their hard work and careful tending of some of the poorer rural areas have often been a support and enticement to industries seeking to locate in rural areas. Their track record speaks for itself, and it is a commendable one.

Question 3: I firmly believe that as long as rural electric cooperatives are able to provide excellent services at competitive prices then private power companies should not be able to freeze out rural electric systems through annexation. Elected officials must understand that the cost of furnishing electricity to 21 customers per mile of electric line is much cheaper than providing for seven customers per mile of electric line; therefore, when annexation forces a reduction of customers, it also increases the cost of electric service to those consumers in rural areas. This must be checked, and as urbanization increases, we must work out a program that is equitable for all our citizens, rural and urban alike.

Lt. Gov. Robert B. Jordan III

North Carolina's rural electric cooperatives brought the benefits of an emerging technology to the rural areas of our state during the first half of this century, combining government incentives and private sector management know-how in an innovative new partnership. Electricity consumers became power company owners.

I believe the electric cooperatives can make a major contribution to our state now and in the years to come as we seek to meet the new challenges of rural development:

- 1) We must break the cycle of poverty in our rural counties.
- 2) We must provide better job opportunities at higher wages.
- 3) We must provide better schools for our children, and continuing education and job training programs for adults, so that they qualify for higher-paying jobs.
- 4) Instead of relying on out-of-state corporations to bring us good jobs, we must launch a "growth from within" strategy that draws on our own companies and our own people to create jobs.

Several of the rural electric cooperatives have been leaders in recruiting companies to their service areas. And recently, they have begun to consider direct investments in new ventures, or to assist the reorganization of an existing enterprise.

Under established state law, there is no question the co-ops have the right to continue and expand service within 300 feet of their transmission lines even after annexation that brings another power company into the area. Growth in rural communities surrounding these service "corridors" should provide continuing opportunities for the cooperatives to provide electric service at favorable rates to consumers.



I'm especially proud of two major initiatives to foster that growth.

The first is a \$100 million loan and investment pool launched this spring by the Rural Economic Development Center, Inc. The Center was created by legislation that I sponsored.

The second is the 21st Century Fund, which I've proposed as part of a sweeping reorganization of our state's economic development efforts. In a way, our approach to creating jobs will be as different as the electric cooperatives were a half-century ago in the extension of electric service.

Basically the 21st Century Fund will support new ventures—and new products developed by established companies—that are “home grown. . .”

As partners in the effort to bring growth to our rural counties, the electric cooperatives may find it appropriate to invest themselves in such new enterprises, or to help indirectly with management advice and market research. Clearly, your organizations have a rich heritage of “cooperative enterprise” on which to draw as you make those decisions.

North Carolina's economy is growing, but it has grown unevenly. Too many of our jobs, especially in the rural counties, pay sub-poverty level wages, with no medical insurance or other benefits.

As I said when I announced my candidacy for Governor: “We cannot afford to drift into two North Carolinas . . . cities that are growing, and sometimes choking on their growth . . . and rural areas that are declining and losing their best young people to the urban areas. . .”

Lt. Governor

Tony Rand

Question 1: Rural electric cooperatives have a long, proud history of literally shedding light in the darkest corners of North Carolina, and that mission of bringing electric power to rural residents continues today. The state's 28 rural co-ops have a record of maintaining close contact with and service to their subscribers, many of whom would not have had electric power without them. Certainly, then, rural electric co-ops have a contribution to make and are making one every time one of their 500,000-plus customers turns on a light or heats up a stove or starts an electric motor.

Question 2: Rural electric co-ops that have developed a customer base over the years should have the opportunity to serve that territory as it grows—provided their service remains competitive with other electric power sources. Co-ops' primary mission, as their name implies, is to serve the rural customer, and one way for such co-ops to help reduce the cost for such customers is to be allowed to add to their customer base in those growth areas currently served by cooperatives.

Question 3: The long-term interest of the electric customer should be the guiding question in deciding such questions. Rural cooperatives, as a matter of fairness, however, should not have their growth frozen or their customer base threatened by municipal annexations as long as the cooperatives' service and power costs are competitive.

James Gardner

Republican candidate **James Gardner** of Rocky Mount did not respond to the questions.

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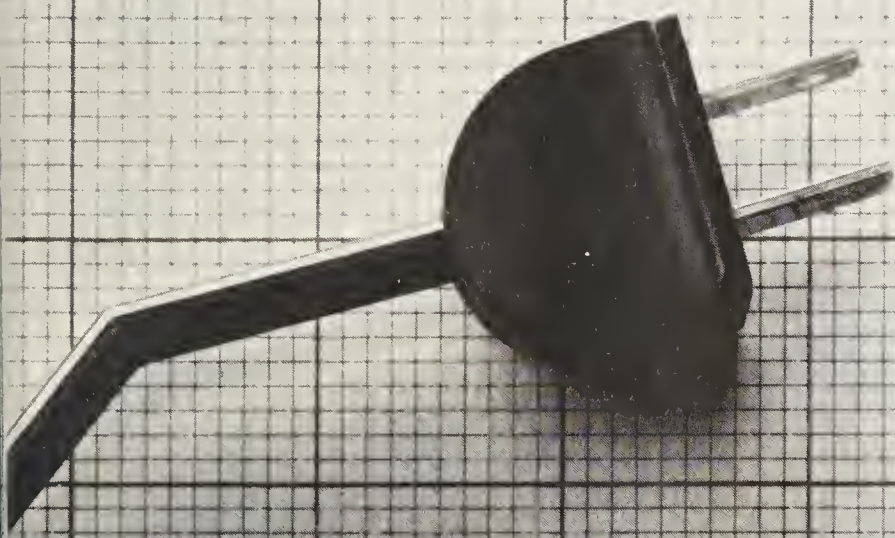
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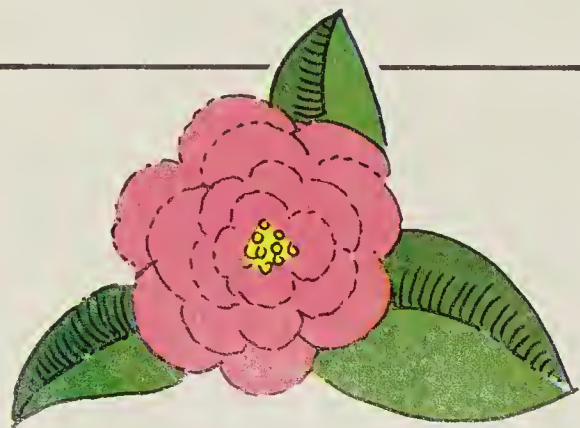


HANK'S GARDENING GUIDE

Now's a rewarding time in the garden. Cooler weather seems to stimulate flowering plants to an extra spurt of bloom. Crisp mornings seem to add intensity to flower colors.

This is the period when dahlias and mums come into their own, when roses put forth their most perfect long stemmed blooms.

Cooler days also add zest to the work that needs to be done in preparing for next year. We're entering the period of perfect planting time.



Moving Camellias

If you have an ill-placed camellia, one that doesn't seem to do more than just sit there year after year—it could be that it is not planted in the best spot for camellia growth.

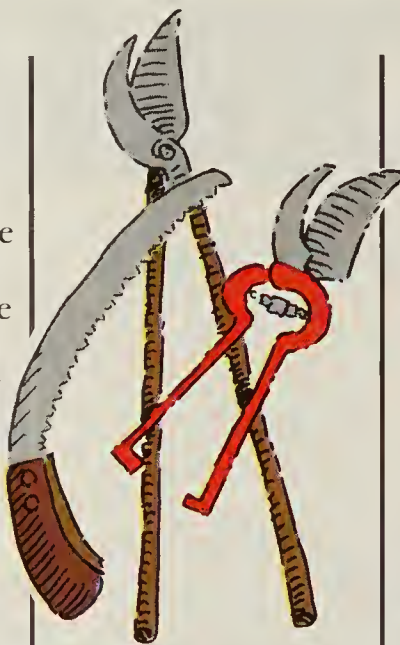
Japonicas like a partial shade rather than exposure to direct sun all day. If planted in full sun, they do best with a northern exposure. Soil should be of medium fertility with humus added. It's good if camellias are planted close to a source of water as they grow best if not allowed to become dry for long periods.

Camellias suffer less transplanting shock if moved during the early fall.

Pine Straw

If pine trees are plentiful in your area, you're fortunate in having a source of free mulch. The advantages of pine straw are many—it stays neatly in place as a cover for the plant bed; pine straw remains loose enough for water to run through it; it lasts for a long period of time.

You'll want to rake and store the needles that are beginning to fall, even if you don't need mulch yet. If you wait, the pine straw may be littered with leaves.



When You Prune

Keep in mind that shearing destroys the natural shape and form of most shrubs. To reduce size and produce more compact growth, cut out undesirable longer limbs from inside the plant. Do not cut all limbs at same height or length.

An exception: a severely stylized contemporary building may have landscape plantings where shrubs are severely pruned and trained into a distinct effect.

Don't prune those shrubs that flower in the spring; wait to prune them immediately after they bloom next spring. Many shrubs—such as lilac, azalea, rhododendron, forsythia and weigelia—produce flower buds in the summer previous to their next spring

flowering. Look at your dogwood for instance. If there are no large flower buds at the tips of branches, you'll have no blooms on the dogwood next spring. Spring-flowering shrubs bloom the following spring on wood that is formed the past summer. You'll not want to lose a crop of flowers by pruning now.

Rose Aid

Roses should be groomed to encourage the production of autumn blooms. Plants will produce blossoms of better quality if faded flowers are removed. This prevents seed formation. Much of the plant's energy goes into the forming and producing of seed.

Prune out all "blind" twigs. Cut plants back lightly to encourage the formation of flower buds. When pruning, make the cut just above an immature growth bud that's located on the stem in the angle between a leaf and the stem. This bud should grow and mature into a flower.

Make certain that plants have ample moisture. If rainfall is scant, soak roots at least once a week.

Outdoors to Indoors

When you move plants from outside to indoors, it's natural for them to lose some leaves and flowers. Don't fertilize; go easy on watering. It's helpful to remove any dying plant parts as this helps light and air reach the healthy growth.

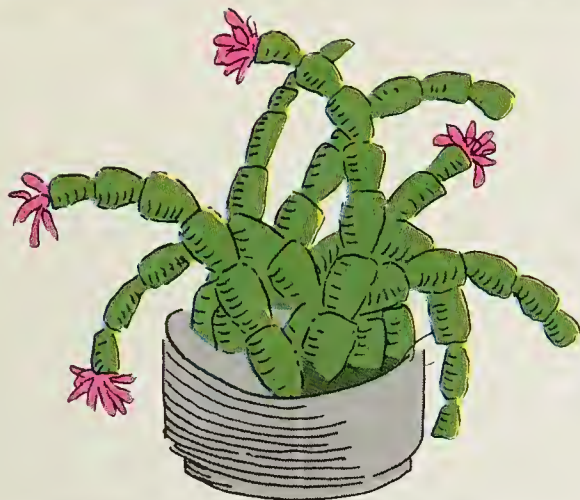
As fall moves toward winter, be careful of overwatering and overfertilizing houseplants.

Lawn Care

Apply a complete fertilizer to the lawn in early October. Use fifteen to twenty pounds of 8-8-8 or equivalent per 1,000 square feet of area.



Both cool-season and warm-season grasses will benefit. The cool-season grasses are in active growth, and the warm-season grasses will be better prepared for the winter dormant season.



Caring For A Christmas Cactus

Set your Christmas Cactus outdoors to expose it to 50-degree night temperatures.

Withhold water while the plant is outside. As soon as tiny flower buds form, move plant back indoors. Place cactus where it receives no artificial light at night. (No light after sunset or before sunrise.)

Buy Bulbs That Are Firm And Of Good Size

If you're purchasing bulbs for the spring color display, it's wise to look for bulbs that are firm and of good size. The size of the bloom is directly related to the size of the bulb. A soft bulb could indicate "internal" health problems.

The skins of bulbs may be loose, and a few light nicks and indentions will not interfere with good growth.

Store bulbs at a temperature of less than 65 degrees F., but above freezing. The vegetable crisper in the refrigerator is a good spot for storage.

When buying bulbs locally, it's wise to select/purchase them

before the heating season has begun. A few days on the display rack in a heated room can dry them out and cause problems.



Larkspur and Cornflowers

Broadcast seed of larkspur and cornflowers over the soil where they are to grow and bloom. Mixing seed with sand will insure an even distribution.

By Hank Smith

Divide to Multiply

Almost any crowded clump of perennials can be divided and replanted now. These include daisies, coreopsis, purple sage, lily-of-the-valley, peony, perennial phlox, hosta, golden glow, aspidistra and ajuga. If daylily and bearded iris plantings were not divided earlier, they may be dug now.

If flowering has declined in established lilies, dig and divide bulbs now. Separate bulbs with roots attached; replant before roots dry out.

You'll want to wait until spring to dig, divide and replant those perennials now in active growth and flowering.

Vegetable Garden Clean-Up Time

Now's a good time to clean up the vegetable garden by turning under or composting crop residues. This helps prevent insect and disease problems in the spring.

Soil turned now also makes it possible to get crops in earlier in the spring.



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10 Insurance Companies Now Offer Discounts For Drivers 55 and Over

Since last fall, North Carolina law has allowed insurance companies to offer discounts for motorists who are 55 or over. But it was not until April 1 that such discounts were made available by any of the more than 400 licensed underwriters serving North Carolina. The first to do so, State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company and First of Georgia Insurance Company, both began offering 10 percent discounts. Since then, eight other companies have followed suit. This month's column reviews the discounts now available from these firms.

North Carolina motorists who have reached the age of 55 and have safe driving records are now enjoying an expanded opportunity to buy automobile insurance at special discounted rates. Since a column on these discounts appeared in *Carolina Country* last spring, with just two underwriters offering discounts under new legislation, the list has grown to include a total of 10 insurance companies.

This still leaves more than 400 licensed underwriters who have not joined the trend—but the list of ten includes the four largest volume auto insurance companies serving North Carolina.

Allstate, State Farm, Nationwide and North Carolina Farm Bureau Insurance companies all offer a schedule of discounts.

Six others have also taken advantage of General Statute 58-124.23 (a), which was enacted into law during the 1987 legislative session in Raleigh.

The companies call the discounts “deviations,” which means that they “deviate” from standard rates.

How much discount can these mature drivers get? Let's start with the four largest underwriters:

State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company, which has agents in all parts of the state, offers a 10 percent deviation on liability insurance, medical payments, comprehensive and collision insurance. This program went into effect in April, 1988.

Allstate Insurance Company offers 15 percent deviation on private passenger auto physical damage insurance, effective last May.

Nationwide Mutual Insurance Company has a variable schedule. For drivers 55 and over with no “points” who have carried Nationwide three years or more, a 10 percent deviation applies on a single insured vehicle, but this climbs to 15 percent for multi-car policy holders. For those insured less than three years, the deviation is 5 percent for a single car, 10 percent for multiple vehicles. For someone who carries points,

and is over 55, Nationwide allows no deviation for a single car but does allow 5 percent for two or more. Nationwide also allows discounts for drivers under age 55 who have no points.

North Carolina Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company also instituted a number of discount rates Sept. 1. A top discount of 12 percent on auto insurance is allowed for drivers 55 or over who have coverage on more than one automobile, no inexperienced driver in the household and who also carry homeowners or farmowners insurance with Farm Bureau.

Ten percent discounts are allowed for those 55 or over, with two or more cars insured, no inexperienced operator, but without homeowners or farmowners coverage. The same 10 percent applies to drivers with one car insured but who do carry homeowners or farmowners insurance.

Farm Bureau also allows a 7 percent deviation on a single-car policy, 55 or over, no inexperienced operator, but without homeowner coverage. Similar discounts are offered for operators under 55.

One of the largest auto insurance underwriters outside North Carolina's “Big Four” is the U.S. Fidelity and Guaranty Company, which instituted discounts Aug. 1. This company allows a straight 10 percent deviation for principal operators 55 and over, and 10 percent for comprehensive and collision rates.

Another large insurance company that began discounts May 1 is New York Underwriter Insurance Co., which allows a 15 percent deviation for physical damage for those 55 and over, 5 percent on voluntary liability and 10 percent on physical damage. New York Underwriter is part of the Hartford Insurance Group.

One of the first two discounters to begin the process, along with State Farm, was the First of Georgia Insurance Company, which began offering discounts April 1. For those 55 and over, this company—which works through independent agents—will allow 15 percent for private passenger auto physical damage and 10 percent



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for other coverages where the principal operator meets the age 55 requirement.

Two of the discounting underwriters appear identical, except in name. Both American States Insurance and American Economy Insurance have the same Indianapolis address and officials, and both offer 10 percent deviations for principal operators 55 and over for bodily injury, property damage, medical payments, comprehensive and collision insurance. The companies offer 5 percent discounts for "all other" auto coverage.

The lowest discount program now approved by North Carolina Insurance Commissioner Jim Long is available from Unigard Indemnity Company, which instituted a 5 percent deviation on comprehensive and collision coverage for drivers 55 and over, effective last June.

From the percentages listed, it might seem that the 15 percent figure is a ceiling. The actual law sets no maximum or minimum, according to Charles A. Swindell, policy and rate analyst for the N.C. Department of Insurance.

Under Part B

Equicor Taking Over Medicare Service

Medicare enrollees in North Carolina will see a major change in the program's method of operating, effective Dec. 1. For years those with claims under Part B of Medicare, which covers medical treatment by physicians and other health practitioners, have been served by Prudential Insurance Company from an office in High Point.

As of Dec. 1, the Part B will be taken over by Equicor, Inc., which now provides the same service in the states of Tennessee, Idaho and Wyoming. Enrollees will soon receive official notification by mail.

Equicor plans to establish its North Carolina office in Greensboro, offering walk-in service and service of claims by mail and by telephone. The company has arranged to keep the same toll-free number that Prudential now has in High Point: (800) 672-3071. A mailing address will be announced in the near future.

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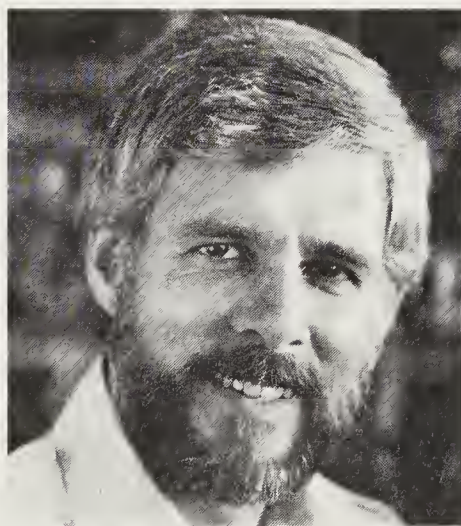
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Things "Like They Used To Be"

"This is not classic poetry by any means, but people seem to enjoy it."

That's how Bob Herring of Rose Hill describes the verses he's penned under the title, "Country Is."

They're a collection of images and nostalgia from his childhood memories. They're about things "like they used to be," says one verse.

The Duplin County native, who is a consumer-member of Four County Electric Membership Corporation, Burgaw, wrote the first of the verses a few years ago to express his philosophy about what "country" really is for the customers of his wood crafts business. They were featured in the firm's mail order catalog.

He didn't stop there, though. He continued writing the verses—and finally had enough to assemble them into a little homestyle booklet. His brother, Dallas, contributed illustrations for it.

That version has become so popular that Herring has now published it as a full-fledged book.

Meanwhile, he's taken many of the verses and set them to music—making them a bit of entertainment that he has performed for various audiences. The musical treatment has stirred so much interest, he's thinking of recording it.

Several of the verses are reprinted here. For more, you'll have to catch Herring's "road show" act or order a copy of his book. He'll send you a copy for \$5, including postage. Send your order to R. B. Herring, P.O. Box 100, Rose Hill, NC 28458.



Dallas Herring

Country Is

*Country is a gate
with a lane leading up to a house,
and an open well
with a bucket hanging near.*

*It's a tall pole
with martin gourds hanging on a cross bar,
and a hog gallow
standing near the wash house.*

*Country is a fence post
with a honeysuckle vine wrapped
around it,
and a mail box
that needs propping up.*

*It's a shade tree
with roots big enough to climb on,
and a walnut seedling that sprouted
right where it fell.*

*Country is a woodpecker
drilling holes through the pecan bark
and a whippoorwill singing
a sad song at dusk.*

*It's a rooster
crowing to announce a new day,
and a dog barking
to let you know someone's home.*

*Country is ham meat
frying on a black iron skillet,
and a piece of corn bread
soaking up the red-eye gravy.*

*It's a green apple
that makes your eyes water when you bite it,
and boiled peanuts
that always call for more.*

*Country is a dinner bell
on a post in the yard,
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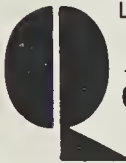
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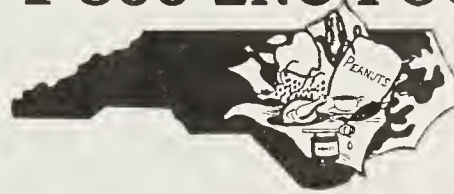
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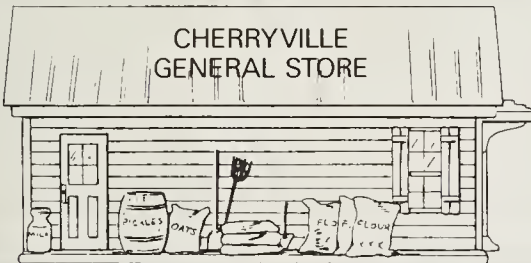
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